Nuclear Programme of Pakistan

789. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Pakistan is likely to achieve self-reliance in nuclear programme as has been reported in a section of the Press;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to take some steps to achieve self-sufficiency in nuclear power; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) From various reports, it appears that Pakistan is making efforts to achieve a greater degree of self-reliance in its nuclear programme.

(b) Pakistan has set up an enrichment plant. It is also operating a 5 MW research reactor at Islamabad and a 125 MW nuclear power plant at Karachi. It is setting up plants for upgradation of heavy water and fuel fabrication. However, it is not yet in a position to construct its own nuclear power reactor.

(c) India has already demonstrated self-sufficiency in nuclear technology in a wide spectrum of areas, including power reactors. India is now in a position to expand its nuclear power programme for enhancing the total quantity of electricity generated from nuclear resources.

(d) At present there are 7 nuclear power reactors operaitng, producing approximately 1500 MW of nuclear power. Seven more are under construction and a few more are planned. This will enable us to significantly enhance production of electricity from our nuclear resources.

Parking Facilities in Delhi

790. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that pedestrian way/footpath has not been laid so far on the Munirka Marg, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to parking of vehicles on both sides of the road, especially near Modern Bazar and Vasant Continental Hotel, the pedestrians, especially children, are put to lot of inconvenience;

(c) whether the parking is maintained by M/s. Modern Bazar;

(d) whether it has been permitted by appropriate authorities; if so, the details thereof and under what provision of law;

(e) whether Modern Bazar have been authorised to put up sign-boards of their choice in the name of Delhi Traffic police, if so, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether Government are aware that a particular concern is benefited from this parking;

(g) whether Government have a proposal to lay the pedestrians way on the Munirka Marg; and

(h) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Delhi Police has reported that the pedestrian movement on this stretch is local and not heavy and that no complaint has been made to the traffic police about inconvenience to the pedestrians due to parking on this stretch.

(c) to (f) For facilitating the customers/commuters, including foreigners especially to Vasant Lok Shopping Complex, in parking their vehicles on both sides of Munirka Marg, the traffic police started the parking lot after due demarcation. The Delhi Police have reported that they have not authorised anyone to display sign-boards.

since the 3rd February, 1986. He is from Uttar Pradesh Cadre on inter-state deputation to Delhi Administration. His deputation period is over. Delhi Administration has been requested to revert the officer to his parent cadre and post some other suitable officer on the post of Secretary to Lt. Governor in consultation with the Lt. Governor.

Crossing over from Burma to India

781. [illegible] CHATURVEDI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many representatives recently elected in general elections in Burma have crossed over to Indian territory;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) It is not in the national interest to give information on the subject.

Test Flight of "Prithvi" Missile

782. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that test flight of "PRITHVI" missile was carried out around 11th February, 1991 and the earlier test was done on 27th September, 1989;

(b) if so, what is the reasons for such a long interval between the two tests; and

(c) what are the results of the last test and in what way it was an improvement form the earlier two tests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI LALIT VIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Each test flight is planned and conducted with specific mission objectives. In the period between two test flights, extensive series of tests are carried out on various sub-systems of the missile. Further, the results of each flight are analysed extensively before the next flight. These activities are normal part of the process of proving an indigenously developed missile.

(c) The test flight of PRITHVI carried out on 11th February 1991 was successful and fully met the mission objectives set for the flight. It is not in the public interest to disclose the technical results of such flight tests.

Establishing of Heavy/Small Industrial Units in Bihar

783. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish any heavy and small industrial units in the Bhojpur and Rahtas Districts of Bihar; and

(b) if so, what are the new areas identified or to be identified for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951, One Letter of Intent has been issued during the years 1988 to 1990 for Bhojpur District of Bihar for the manufacture of